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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Attorney Docket No. P-7726(11738.00078))

In the Application of:)
Harper) Group Art Unit: 3763
Serial No. 09/070,269)
Filed: April 30, 1998) Conf. No. 4260
For: A Device Used to Connect an) Examiner: Lina R. Konto
External Ventricular Drainage)
Catheter)

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 24, 2003

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed September 24, 2003, please reconsider this application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 11 of this paper.

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